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Hidekazu Tanigawa et al.

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Filed: April 1, 1999

For: DATA COMMUNICATION SYSTEM,  
DATA TRANSMITTING APPARATUS,  
AND DATA RECEIVING APPARATUS

Examiner: Hai Tran

Group Art Unit: 2611

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Irvine, California 92614

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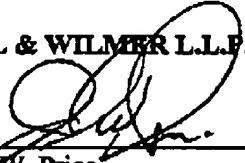
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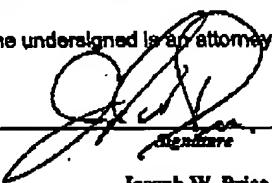
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